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Before the  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington D.C. 20554

Federal Communications Commission  
Office of Secretary

In the Matter of )

Tariffs Implementing )  
Access Charge Reform )

CC Docket No. 97-250

**REPLY OF SBC COMMUNICATIONS INC**

SBC Communications Inc., on behalf of Pacific Bell, hereby responds to the oppositions of AT&T Corp. (AT&T) and MCI Telecommunications Corporation (MCI) to SBC's motion for extension of time to file the refund report currently due August 31, 1998 in the above referenced docket.

AT&T's opposition misconstrues the notion of administrative efficiency. As SBC noted in its motion, all parties would be served by a delay in the filing and review of the refund report scheduled for August 31, 1998. As shown by SBC's Petition for Reconsideration, no refund is warranted. It would be wasteful for SBC to file the refund report, for AT&T and other parties to possibly comment upon it, and for the Commission to review the refund report and comments, without a final decision on SBC's Petition for Reconsideration. As SBC's Petition for Reconsideration should be granted, all of the foregoing work on the refund report would be for naught within a short period of time.

Should SBC's Petition be denied, no party would be harmed as interest is due until the refunds are issued.

Thus, SBC respectfully requests that the Commission grant SBC's motion for extension of time to file the refund report.

Respectfully submitted,

SBC COMMUNICATIONS INC  
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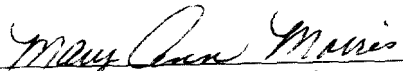
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